

REGIONAL COUNCIL REPORT

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REGIONAL COUNCIL CALLS FOR A SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Regional Council has called a Special General Assembly to be held in conjunction with their monthly meeting on September 4, 2003 at SCAG headquarters downtown Los Angeles. The purpose of the General Assembly is to consider and approve a proposed Bylaws Amendment to allow the filling of a vacancy in the office of the Second Vice President. Delegates from member cities planning to attend should RSVP to Shelia Stewart @ (213) 236-1868 or via email: Stewart@scag.ca.gov.

OPERATION JUMP-START

A transportation infrastructure initiative was developed in response to the economic challenges identified in the *State of the Region Report 2002*. This initiative, coined "Operation Jump-Start," is an innovative public/private economic stimulus plan that encourages regional economic revitalization though the acceleration of several projects and principles already endorsed by the Regional Council. Specifically, the program seeks to accelerate a series of road and rail improvements through the implementation of innovative financing mechanisms, all of which are contained in the adopted *2001 Regional Transportation Plan* (RTP).

If implemented, Operation Jump-Start would create upwards of 375,000 high-paying jobs within six years, resulting in the infusion of over \$26 billion into the regional economy. In addition to raising the region's per capita income, the program has the potential of reducing the current two-year state budget deficit by more than 26%. Most importantly, however, Operation Jump-Start will preserve Southern California's position as world leader in international trade. The Regional Council approved evaluating Operating Jump-Start as a leadership initiative for 2003-2004 as well as exploring a comprehensive legislative strategy.

LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL

(SUPPORT) SB 20 (Sher) Solid Waste: Electronic Waste Recovery

SB 20 defines "hazardous electronic devices" and prohibits their sale in California unless the manufacturer implements a take-back plan or pays a fee to cover the cost of a waste recovery program. The California Integrated Waste Management Board is empowered to impose civil penalties for violations and to review, amend, approve or disapprove waste recovery plans.

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